In the Claims:

Claims 1-31 (canceled).

Claim 32. (currently amended) A method for coating multiple webs in a coating system containing multiple ~~extrusion~~ coating stations comprising:

conveying a first web having a coating side to a first coating station in the coating system from a first unwind stand and applying a first polymer coating on the coating side of the first web at the first coating station;

collecting the coated first web on a first windup stand;

conveying a second web having a coating side to a second coating station in the coating system from a second unwind stand and applying a second polymer coating on the coating side of the second web at the second coating station;

collecting the coated second web on a second windup stand; and

wherein the conveying and coating steps in regard to the first web are carried out independently of the conveying and coating steps in regard to the second web and during at least a portion of the time in which the conveying and coating steps are being carried out in regard to the second web.

Claim 33. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second coating stations each comprise a coating station selected from the group consisting of extrusion coating stations, wax coating stations, air knife coating stations, rod coating stations, gravure coating stations, and slot die coating stations.

Claim 34. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second coating stations each comprise extrusion coating stations.

Claim 35. (currently amended) The method of claim 32, wherein the first web is redirected from a first web travel path along which at least a portion of the first web travels to adjacent a second web travel path along which at least a portion of the second web travels prior to collection on a windup stand.

Claim 36. (original) The method of claim 32, wherein the first web is redirected by a web turning station.

Claim 37. (original) The method of claim 32, wherein the second web is initially conveyed along a first web travel path and is redirected adjacent a second web travel path prior to being coated at the second coating station.

Claim 38. (original) The method of claim 32, wherein the second web is redirected by a web turning station.

Claim 39. (withdrawn) The method of claim 32, wherein the first and second webs are the same width.

Claim 40. (original) The method of claim 32, wherein the first and second webs are of differing widths.

Claim 41. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second webs comprise the same substrate material.

Claim 42. (withdrawn) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second webs comprise different substrate materials.

Claim 43. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second webs are coated with the same type of polymer.

Claim 44. (withdrawn) The method of claim 32 wherein the first and second webs are coated with different types of polymers.

Claim 45. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first web is selected from the group consisting of paperwebs, polymer films, nonwoven fabrics, metal foils, multi-ply webs comprising two or more thereof.

Claim 46. (original) The method of claim 32 wherein the second web is selected from the group consisting of paperwebs, polymer films, nonwoven fabrics, metal foils and multi-ply webs comprising two or more thereof.

Claim 47. (new) The method of claim 32, wherein one of the unwind stands, both of the coating stations and one of the windup stands can alternatively be used to coat both sides of a single web.